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TO AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM IMMEDIATE

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FOL REPEAT CAIRO 19185 SENT ACTION SECSTATE NOV 17.
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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 19185

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV EG
SUBJ: FAHMY'S RESIGNATION

REF: CAIRO 19175

1. I MANAGED GET IN TOUCH WITH FAHMY 1800 THIS EVENING
BY PHONE. TOLD HIM WHAT A GREAT SHOCK IT HAD BEEN TO ME
TO HEAR OF HIS RESIGNATION. I KNEW THAT HIS MANY FRIENDS
AND ADMIRERS IN THE UNITED STATES, FROM PRESIDENT CARTER
AND SECRETARY VANCE ON DOWN, WOULD BE VERY SAD. HE HAS
FOR SO LONG BEEN RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL
ARCHITECTS OF THE PEACE PROCESS AND OF THE NEW U.S.-
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EGYPTIAN RELATIONSHIP, AND HIS DEPARTURE IS A LOSS TO
ALL OF US.

2. FAHMY SAID HE APPRECIATED MY CALL. HE COULD NOT GO ALONG
WITH SADAT'S DECISION TO GO TO ISRAEL. IT IS DANGEROUS,
WILL PRODUCE NOTHING AND STANDS GOOD CHANCE OF BACK-FIRING.
HE HOPED THAT THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP WILL SUCCEED, BUT HE

COULD NOT IN GOOD CONSCIENCE STAY IN THE GOVT AND ENDORSE IT.
HENCE, HIS DECISION TO RESIGN. HE ASKED THAT HIS WARM
REGARDS AND RESPECTS BE CONVEYED TO PRESIDENT CARTER,
SECRETARY VANCE AND HIS MANY OTHER FRIENDS, AND ASSURED
ME THAT HE WILL CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE IN
HIS PRIVATE CAPACITY TO FURTHER THE CAUSES ON WHICH WE
HAVE WORKED TOGETHER.

3. MENA REPORTED LATE THIS AFTERNOON THAT FAHMY'S
RESIGNATION ACCEPTED. REASON FOR RESIGNATION GIVEN
AS "RECENT DEVELOPMENTS" WITHOUT SPECIFYING WHAT THEY ARE.
IMPLICATION IS CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT IT IS SADAT'S DECISION
TO VISIT ISRAEL THAT PROMPTED RESIGNATION.
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UNQUOTE VANCE

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